



Downtown Organization of Santa Barbara Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award \$500 Scholarship



Eligibility Requirements and Additional Information

The Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award is given to an outstanding youth in the Santa Barbara area in recognition of their leadership and community service. The Downtown Organization presents the Award in honor of former Mayor Harriet Miller's contributions to local youth and youth leadership.

Eligibility:

- Must be a high school senior in the Santa Barbara Unified School District or a resident of the City of Santa Barbara.
- Minimum GPA 2.5 (verification may be required).
- Completed a minimum of 45 community service hours by the application deadline (verification may be required).

Applicants Must Submit:

- **One Letter of Recommendation:** Must be from a teacher, counselor, or mentor with whom you are associated.
- **Essay:** A personal essay should be submitted following one of these two themes: *What role should youth leadership play in finding solutions to youth unemployment?* Or *What role can youth leadership play in helping suicidal teens?* The essay should be typed, double-spaced, 12pt font, and a maximum of two pages. Include your name at the top left corner of the paper.
- **Completed Application:** Complete the attached application or download the application at www.sbparksandrecreation.com/teens

Additional Information:

Scholarship Applications must be returned to the Twelve35 Teen Center office in person or by mail. The teen center is located at 1235 Chapala (corner of Chapala/Victoria) Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101. **Application deadline is January 4, 2010. Mailed applications must be postmarked by January 1, 2010.**

Selection Process

A selection committee comprised of representatives from youth leadership groups and the Downtown Organization will review all applications and choose a recipient.

Once a decision has been made the recipient will be notified by mail. The award and scholarship check will be presented at a luncheon scheduled for *January 14, 2010*. The honoree should plan to attend the luncheon.

If you have questions regarding the Harriet Miller Youth Leadership Award, please contact Mary Lynn Harms, Downtown Organization at 962-2098, ext. 24, or Susan Young, Neighborhood and Outreach Services at 897-2652.